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Series of Tours for Winners in Great Contest by Boston American.

THREE TRIPS TO EUROPE

The Boston Sunday American has treasured the tour of Europe which it will give to the forty most popular New England women school teachers. Instead of fifty days, the tour has been prolonged so that it will last six weeks.

How would you like to travel through Europe without it costing you a cent? In next Sunday's Boston American will be printed every particular of these magnificent trips.

The contest will probably close on the last Sunday in June. It is so far advanced that it is not possible to get your list in early. Remember, that in this contest, unlike the "Horse to Win" and "Horse to Lose" contests, there is absolutely nothing to be won or lost. It is simply a contest to see who can win the most votes.

The "Horse to Win" on the opposite side of this page.

THE "GRAND TOUR."

This tour will leave Boston on the 8. A. M. train July 5 and will probably last sixty days, visiting all the points of interest in Europe. It will return to Boston on September 10.

THE "SECOND TOUR."

This tour will leave Boston on the 8. A. M. train July 10 and will probably last thirty days, visiting all the points of interest in Europe. It will return to Boston on August 10.

THE "THIRD TOUR."

For the twenty most popular New England school teachers, will last thirty days. The party leaves Boston on the 8. A. M. train July 15 and will probably last thirty days, visiting all the points of interest in Europe. It will return to Boston on August 15.

SIX CASH PRIZES

\$500, \$200, \$150, \$75, \$50, \$25.

This \$1,000 in cash for pocket money on the trip will be given to the six most popular teachers, irrespective of location. The tours will be awarded as follows:

1. The tour for the teachers of Boston and the Metropolitan District.

2. The tour for the teachers of Middlesex, Suffolk, and Norfolk counties.

3. The tour for the teachers of Essex, Middlesex, and Suffolk counties.

4. The tour for the teachers of Worcester, Hampshire, and Berkshire counties.

5. The tour for the teachers of Plymouth, Dukes, and Nantucket counties.

6. The tour for the teachers of Barnstable, Bourne, and Sandwich counties.

HOW TO VOTE AND HOW TO SECURE VOTES

P. O. Box 5,131, European Tour Editor, Boston.

INDICT DOCTOR FOR DEATH OF RUSSELL GIRL

Sinclair Arrested in Moran's Office and Held in Default of \$10,000 Bail.

Dr. John Sinclair, pathologist and astrologer, whose real name is Aaron Burr, is under arrest and held in default of \$10,000 bail, charged with causing the death of Miss Annie Russell, the pretty Charleston girl who died in the Better Hospital after treatment at a Boston medical clinic.

Sinclair had been in New York for some time, but came back to Boston and took a room at No. 10 West Northampton street. His arrest was brought about through the persistent work of William Anthony Russell, a young man who had been in the hospital since the death of his daughter. He had been told by the doctor that his daughter had died of a natural cause, but he was not satisfied.

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PRESIDENT HAINES

OF S. P. C. A. RESIGNS

NEW YORK, March 8.—The resignation of John P. Haines as president of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has been accepted. The resignation of the society will follow as a result of the crusade against him.

EVENING AMERICAN BALLOT.

Good for One Vote.

Name _____ School _____

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Counting the Votes.

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1 Coupon in Evening American.....	1 Vote
1 Coupon in Sunday American.....	10 Votes
20 Cents—Order for 4 Sunday Americans.....	50 Votes
25 Cents—Order for 5 Sunday Americans.....	65 Votes
30 Cents—Order for 6 Sunday Americans.....	80 Votes
35 Cents—Order for 7 Sunday Americans.....	95 Votes
40 Cents—Order for 8 Sunday Americans.....	105 Votes
45 Cents—Order for 9 Sunday Americans.....	125 Votes
50 Cents—Order for 10 Sunday Americans.....	140 Votes
55 Cents—Order for 11 Sunday Americans.....	155 Votes
60 Cents—Order for 12 Sunday Americans.....	175 Votes
65 Cents—Order for 13 Sunday Americans.....	195 Votes
70 Cents—Order for 14 Sunday Americans.....	215 Votes
75 Cents—Order for 15 Sunday Americans.....	240 Votes
80 Cents—Order for 16 Sunday Americans.....	265 Votes
85 Cents—Order for 17 Sunday Americans.....	290 Votes
90 Cents—Order for 18 Sunday Americans.....	315 Votes
95 Cents—Order for 19 Sunday Americans.....	340 Votes
100 Cents—Order for 20 Sunday Americans.....	370 Votes
105 Cents—Order for 21 Sunday Americans.....	400 Votes
110 Cents—Order for 22 Sunday Americans.....	430 Votes
115 Cents—Order for 23 Sunday Americans.....	460 Votes
120 Cents—Order for 24 Sunday Americans.....	500 Votes
125 Cents—Order for 25 Sunday Americans.....	550 Votes
130 Cents—Order for 26 Sunday Americans.....	625 Votes
135 Cents—Order for 27 Sunday Americans.....	700 Votes
140 Cents—Order for 28 Sunday Americans.....	790 Votes
145 Cents—Order for 29 Sunday Americans.....	890 Votes
150 Cents—Order for 30 Sunday Americans.....	1,000 Votes

Not less than 4 consecutive papers will be sent to any one address.

FOUR WIDOWS CLAIM PENSION

WESTFIELD, N. J., March 8.—After showing their late husband's pension for twenty years, Mrs. Gilbert Boke must now show the date of his death. She says they were legally married in 1870. The pension was given to her in 1870. She is now 80 years old. She is now 80 years old. She is now 80 years old.

CROMPTON VS. CAMPBELL

In the fourth game of the C class and four billed tournament at the Fish Palace, Crompton defeated Campbell. Crompton scored 48 runs, while Campbell scored 14. Crompton played Campbell.

MILITARY BALLOON BURSTS, 9 KILLED.

ROME, Italy, March 8.—The convulsion of a military balloon which was taking part in the maneuvers at Rome, burst at a height of over a mile. A captain and eight soldiers who were in the air were dashed to the ground.

DENIES APPOINTMENT TO BE BISHOP

PORTLAND, March 8.—Mr. Edward P. Harty, vice-general of the diocese of Portland, denied last night that he had been appointed to succeed Bishop O'Brien, who has been named coadjutor bishop of Boston.

NEWEST MODELS IN MISSES' SPRING SUITS AND COATS

The Eton, Bolero, the "Pony" Coats and the Circular Skirt are leading features of this most attractive assortment of new spring suits. All the new colors, styles and fabrics.

At \$16.50 Misses' and small women's new Spring Suits in all the latest models, Eton and Pony styles, in all wool, hosiery and fancy mixtures; all beautifully made and trimmed with plain materials; also new circular skirts. Sizes 12 to 18 years; 32 to 36 bust.

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At \$29.75 Misses' and small women's new Eton Suits, made up in all the latest models, Eton and Pony styles, in all wool, hosiery and fancy mixtures; all beautifully made and trimmed with plain materials; also new circular skirts. Sizes 12 to 18 years; 32 to 36 bust.

At \$12.50 Misses' and small women's new Eton Suits, made up in all the latest models, Eton and Pony styles, in all wool, hosiery and fancy mixtures; all beautifully made and trimmed with plain materials; also new circular skirts. Sizes 12 to 18 years; 32 to 36 bust.

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FEEL GO FEE TO ICE.

Burlington, Vt., March 8.—James H. Hildreth of Boston, thirty years old, is in the top of a bridge to the top of a mountain in the White Mountains, a result of falling from a fractured and he is injured internally.

Children's Photos

Special offer: Six Children's photos each \$3.00, one 12 inch size photo with \$1.00. Sunday only \$3.00.

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Manufacturing - Ladies' etc.

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Lined styles, made of best fur felt, lined with silk hand-our cap split derby at \$2 and \$3

NOW: A Great Sale of Men's Shoes

2000 Pairs of \$2.50 and \$3.50 Union Made Boots at \$1.95

We bought the entire stock of 2000 pairs of men's shoes way below factory prices from Frazer, 35 Washington Street, this city, who made a specialty of footwear manufactured by The Fitzpatrick Shoe Co. of Stoughton, Mass., who are celebrated all over the country for the excellence of Frazer \$2.50 shoes.

\$1.95

Frazer also sold \$3.00 and \$3.50 Shoes and we bought them all at the same figure, which was low enough to enable us to quote a retail price, until the lot is exhausted, at \$1.95 a pair.

These shoes are high grade, union made boots, with single and double soles. Take your choice of velour calf, box calf, vicci kid, enamel leather or patent calf skin. There are all sizes from 5 up to 12, and Saturday, the price a pair, is \$1.95.

Men's \$1.50 Negligee Shirts at 95c

3000 to Sell at This Price

The Siegel Chain of Stores bought 10,000 Negligee Shirts that were made to sell in haberdasheries throughout the country at \$1.50 each. The manufacturer, one of the largest in the business, had them all made up and was waiting for orders when he found it necessary to realize all the money he could get his hands on. An outside investment went wrong and he had to save himself.

\$1.50

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The price we paid was so low that we can actually retail them at 95c each. They are made of imported percales and madras in all the latest shades and a number of styles, such as hairline stripes and plain colors. They are perfectly made with all the latest reinforcements—cut flat and large and attached or detached cuffs. This is, in fact, a real opportunity to buy a lot of \$1.50 shirts at 95c each.

BOYS: Get Ready for Baseball Games

We step right in and lead the entire field in selling baseball paraphernalia. Every article, every device, every necessity that is a part of the great national game is here in a variety of grades that surpasses anything ever shown in New England.

Our Boys' Champion Combination Outfit

Everything you see in the accompanying illustration (except the boys)—cap, shirt, pants, ball, mitt and catcher's mask, making a complete uniform of fine Canton Flannel and outfit, which, if bought separately, would cost \$2.25, we offer at the special price of **\$1.50**

Each uniform consists of cap, pants, shirt, stockings and belt. Choice of long or detachable sleeves. Lettering free to teams ordering now. Following prices apply only to team orders of 9 or more suits.

Our Intercollegiate Professional Uniform, 8 colors to choose from, each \$4.95

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Junior Uniform, choice of 8 colors, each \$4.25

NOTICE TO BASEBALL CLUBS—Let us supply your baseball needs for the season of 1906. Baseball outfit complete of cloth are now ready for your selection. A postal brings them to you, together with measurement blanks, or if possible, our representative will see you.

ALL KINDS OF BASEBALL PARAPHERNALIA

Baseball Masks

Best of Boston-made masks, made of leather, with face mask, \$2.50

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Baseball Bats

Best of Boston-made bats, made of ash, \$2.50

Best of Boston-made bats, made of ash, \$2.50

Baseballs

Best of Boston-made balls, made of cork, \$2.50

Best of Boston-made balls, made of cork, \$2.50

Catchers' Mitts

Best of Boston-made mitts, made of leather, \$2.50

Best of Boston-made mitts, made of leather, \$2.50

Baseball Socks

Best of Boston-made socks, made of cotton, \$2.50

Best of Boston-made socks, made of cotton, \$2.50

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

50 AND 52 SUMNER ST., BOSTON, MARCH 9, 1908

Kill the Innocent Rather Than Give Up an Idea

Such Extraordinary Arguments as That
Made on the Abolition of the Death
Penalty, at the State House, Will
Hasten the March of Civilization and
Humanity

He was asked by the chairman of the committee what he had to say regarding the possibility of innocent men being executed, and he answered thus:

"It is better that occasionally an innocent man should be executed by law, than that other innocent people should be murdered because there is no capital punishment to act as a deterrent to the crime. IT IS MERELY A MATTER OF MATHEMATICS."

There were present so many people that the largest committee room in the State House was barely large enough to hold them. All but two—Mr. Saunders and another lawyer—were in favor of some law either abolishing the death penalty entirely or at least making it impossible in circumstantial cases.

Such men as former Governor Long, United States District Attorney French, Rabbi Fleischer, Vice General Byrne and Hon. Thomas J. Gargan had gone on record as being opposed to legal murder to punish illegal murder.

Against them appeared Mr. Saunders, with certain arguments—or perhaps "dogmas"—would be a better word.

He considered it an argument in favor of capital punishment in Massachusetts that the practice had obtained since the days of the Pilgrims.

The same excuse could as reasonably be applied to the torture of prisoners.

He maintained that if the death penalty should be abolished the State would be the scene of lynchings, forgetting, perhaps, that there are no lynchings in Rhode Island, any more than there are more proportionate murders there than in this State.

He arbitrarily asserted that no innocent man had ever been executed in Massachusetts, and in reply to a question regarding the Stain-Cromwell case in Maine, where innocence was proven years after conviction, said simply that the men were guilty.

Most remarkable of all was his argument quoted above, that it is better to convict and kill an innocent man than to repeal the death law. A few hundreds of years ago the maker of such an argument would have made an admirable inquisitor.

Happily, Mr. Saunders, nowadays, stands much alone. With the great majority of people, as with JUSTICE, the killing of an innocent man can never be merely a matter of mathematics.

After all, Mr. Saunders should have the thanks of the intelligent and humane portion of the community, rather than his blame, for his speech. Such arguments as his FOR the death penalty will hasten the day of its ABOLITION.

How Easy It Is to Succeed

By Winifred Black

THEY want to send earth and be "suddenly" put in easy. George Ade to Congress back in Indiana. What a lot of common sense these Indiana people do rise up and exhibit every once in a while.

If George Ade would go to Congress, Congress would keep awake for a while anyway.

On the same day that the citizens of Indiana announced their intention to run George Ade for Congress the Colonians celebrated the 175th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns. How different it is to be clever now! Burns, the famous, died and died a beggar, a helpless hanger-on at the bosoms of the patronizing rich.

If he had lived in America today he would have gone to the United States Senate—if he wanted to go there.

And yet they are always telling us that we Americans have no appreciation of intellectual gifts, pure and simple to appreciation; why, there's just where a man gets the whizzing globe of promotion he deserves.

That country is the one where I and I have the supreme happiness to live at this delightful moment.

All the centers and all the misfortune, and all the accidents in the world can't keep a really bright man looking dull.

Put a genius in a potato field, fifty potato bugs will eat that little fellow from the neck down in a very short time.

Seven years ago was ever heard of George Ade? Nobody but the copy reader, and he said things about him that wouldn't keep him in a family newspaper.

He was just a plain, ordinary reporter on a plain, ordinary paper—in Chicago. Talk about a bushel that could hide a light.

Ten years ago when you talked to a newspaper man about making a reputation, he said: "You, I know it would be hard to make money, but I hate New York. I'd rather stay here where there is no need to have to go there in order to get to be somebody."

It never entered his head that he could sit right in his little chair in the corner of his office in Chicago or Indianapolis or anywhere else on

One of the most extraordinary, not to say sensational, arguments ever advanced in real seriousness at the Massachusetts State House, was given before the Joint Committee on Judiciary last Wednesday by Charles B. Saunders, a Boston lawyer. Mr. Saunders was appearing to urge that the death penalty for murder be not abolished in the State.

WOULDN'T IT MAKE YOU MAD--

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1—After you had had a good laugh at the expense of the Railroad Trust—

2—And you had had loaf fun at the expense of the Life Insurance Trust—



3—And you had had the time of your life at the expense of the Oil Trust—

4—If you suddenly had to laugh turned on YOU by the Ice Trust? Wouldn't it make YOU SIZZLE?

IN JUNGLE SOCIETY

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The Animals Played "Snap the Whip," and What Became of the Monk

Song of the Strap Hanger

By James J. Montague

HE furry bark upon my tongue
The merry microbes nip.
There's steel enough in either
To build a battleship.
Upon my strap I swing and sway
Serenely up and down;
But don't mind me for that's the way
I like to go updown.

DON'T talk to me about ozone.
I much prefer to chuke;
The only atmosphere I've known,
Is built of gun and smoke.
For country life I do not care
The shadow of a rap;
I love to breathe corroded air
While swinging from my strap.

EXCEEDINGLY I love to see
The train stop with a jar,
And catapult me suddenly
Half way across the car.
I love to have my strong right arm
Disappointed more or less;
There certainly's a subtle charm
About a fast express.

I LOVE to have the train break down,
With Roxbury out of sight,
And I in haste to get downtown
Before the fall of night.
Some people love to kick, but I'm
A calm, contented chap,
And gladly nip most all my time
A-swinging from my strap.

Views of One

By Ambrose Bierce

IN the first report of the Nanchang missionary trouble it was stated that the high Chinese official who was killed committed suicide and the mission buildings that were burned were fired by the missionaries themselves. The report may have been inaccurate, but it points toward a most desirable way of composing religious quarrels in China.

The new aviation discovered by Colonel Albert T. Patrick, seems to amount to about this—that there are laws in Texas—a proposition that nobody but Colonel Bill Stierret ever doubted.

The bill to legalize lynching in Mississippi goes too far. Mississippians should be hanged by the laws that we have.

Great Britain is now represented at the Moroccan conference by thirty warships at Gibraltar. If that does not give her a preponderant influence she will have none. Her diplomatic methods have the merit of candor, courtesy and effectiveness.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

She Answers the Question Whether a Confirmed
Bachelor of Bohemian Tastes Should Marry

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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WHEN may not be growing better, but in behavior with very subject, he would marry her? But it is interesting to see that a man can take so just an inventory of his own failings, and that he can even imagine a woman as a sacrifice to a woman's life upon the altar of his own selfishness.

Such a man ought to develop some really manly qualities eventually, chief among which should be self-control and self-respect and decent behavior. As for the woman, who a woman becomes "frantic" as this man has described her, at the idea of giving up her lover, the woman is far better to marry him and find either happiness or misery in the attempt to make him live up to her ideal.

As had men have been known to reform and become devoted husbands, after walking to the half-century mark down the rocky road of folly, women have been known to find happiness in domestic life with such husbands.

It is useless to point a moral and to preach the gospel of duty. It is useless to preach to them the theory of one standard of morals for both sexes. It will simply be a waste of words and vitality.

It All Depends
BUT the subject is one which leads to the philosophy of life into the realms of meditation and speculation, and comparison and deduction.

I know of a woman who was young in years, but old in folly, and refused to listen to reason or expostulation from relatives of the enamored youth who wished to marry her.

Less unselfish and less ashamed than the man who has stated his case above she proved the rule, which she may perhaps prove the exception.

Meanwhile the world will accept the reformer husband and the wife who in the face of the reformer wife.

As to the matter of the reformer wife, she is much less well known to the world in his nature—whether he will continue for another half-century in the path of promiscuous sin, or repay himself who loves him by other true.

The fact that he hesitates indicates that his moral nature is not wholly free from the shackles of the past, and that he is not yet fully reformed. The fact that he hesitates indicates that his moral nature is not wholly free from the shackles of the past, and that he is not yet fully reformed.

A Just Inventory
O course this man has not the slightest idea of letting the love of this girl go out of his life. No matter what the "several em-